

MINNESOTA

Park Operational Base Summary: The table below shows the annual park operating base for all parks within this state. Park operational base funds are supplemented by as yet undetermined amounts of project funding from regional or servicewide-managed programs, such as cyclic maintenance, the Natural Resources Preservation Program, and the Drug Enforcement Program.

If a park is in more than one state, the park is included in each of the appropriate state tables. The full operating base is shown; no attempt has been made to split the park operating base amount between two or more states.

Congr	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2002	
<u>Distr</u> <u>Park Units</u>	<u>Enacted</u>	<u>Enacted</u>	<u>Uncontrol</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>FY 2002</u>
			<u>Changes</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
08 Grand Portage NM	807,000	826,000	21,000	0	847,000
* Mississippi NR & RA	1,553,000	1,570,000	24,000	0	1,594,000
02 Pipestone NM	636,000	649,000	17,000	0	666,000
06,08 Saint Croix NSR &					
Lower Saint Croix NSR	2,855,000	2,920,000	71,000	0	2,991,000
08 Voyageurs NP	2,656,000	3,121,000	77,000	0	3,198,000

* Congressional districts for Mississippi NR & RA include 03, 04, 05 and 06.

The table does not include programs from other appropriations such as General Management Plans, Land Acquisition, Line Item Construction and Maintenance, Federal Lands Highway Program, and Historic Preservation Fund State Grants. Information on the distribution of funds in those programs is outlined on the next page. There are separate sections on General Management Plans and the Trails Management Program.

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(dollars in thousands)

PROGRAMS NOT INCLUDED IN PARK BASE:

GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLANS (See GMP section for further information)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>
Grand Portage NM	Ongoing Project
Pipestone NM	Ongoing Project

LAND ACQUISITION (see attached)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Voyageurs NP	245 acres	\$1,000

CONSTRUCTION: LINE ITEM CONSTRUCTION

None

PROPOSED FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY PROGRAM

None

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND: STATE GRANTS

State apportionment: \$948

STATE CONSERVATION GRANTS

Proposed state apportionment: \$8,168

Land Acquisition and State Assistance/Federal Land Acquisition

Fiscal Year 2002 National Park Service Federal Land Acquisition Program

Program or Park Area: **Voyageurs National Park**

National Park Service Land Acquisition Priority (FY 2002): Priority No. 32

Location: Northern Minnesota near International Falls

State/County/Congressional District: State of Minnesota/Koochiching and St. Louis Counties/Congressional District No.8

Land Acquisition Limitation Amount Remaining: None. However, the over-ceiling authority of Public Law 95-42 would permit the requested appropriation.

Cost Detail:

Date	Acres	Total Amount
FY 2002 Request	245	\$1,000,000
Future Funding Need	816	\$4,000,000

The total amount includes the cost of title, appraisal, environmental site assessment, acquisition, and relocation assistance.

Improvements: Largely undeveloped.

Description: Voyageurs National Park was authorized January 1, 1971. The land acquisition program has been underway since fiscal year 1972. Of the 218,200 acres comprising the park, only 1,300 acres remain privately owned. Approximately 1,061 acres of privately owned land remain to be acquired after fiscal year 2001.

Natural/Cultural Resources Associated with Proposal: The park was established to preserve and protect the outstanding scenery, geological conditions, and waterway systems that constituted part of the historic route of the voyageurs who contributed to the opening of the United States. The park contains more than 30 lakes dotted with islands and surrounded by forests.

Threat: Threats of recreational and residential development require expeditious completion of the acquisition program at the park.

Need: For FY 2002, \$1,000,000 is needed to acquire four tracts containing a total of 244.3 acres at the park, including tracts presently used for hunting and trapping.

Interaction with Landowners and Partners: The landowners are all aware that these tracts are within the boundary of the Voyageurs National Park and contain important natural resources the park was created to protect. The National Park Service works closely with landowners inside unit boundaries to ensure that when they are willing to sell their land there is a method for preserving the resources and contributing to the mission of the park unit.